



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Application of: Allen Comer *et al.*

Serial No.: 10/087,346

Group No.: 1632

Filed: 03/01/02

Examiner: Chen

Entitled: **Skin Substitutes with Improved Barrier Function**

**AMMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION
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Dear Sir or Madam:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed September 25, 2003, in the above-mentioned application. The Office Action set a shortened statutory period of three months for Applicants' response. It is not believed that additional fees are necessary. If any fees are necessary, Applicants hereby authorize the Commissioner of the Patent and Trademark Office to charge Attorney Deposit Account No. 08-1290 the fee associated with any fees associated with this communication. Please reference Attorney Docket No.: STRATA-06949 when charging the Attorney Deposit Account.

The amendments presented below are in compliance with the revised amendment format permitted in the Notice from the Office of Patent Legal Administration of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office dated February 10, 2003, and published at 1267 OG 106 on February 25, 2003.

Thus, the provisions of 37 CFR 1.121(a), (b), (c) and (d) are waived for amendments made in this application to the claims. ***Listing of the Claims*** begins on page 3 of this paper. ***Remarks*** begin on page 4 of this paper.



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Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

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Dated: December 19, 2003

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